

HEA/QQI Joint Conference

INTERNATIONALISATION—A DRIVER OF QUALITY IN IRISH HIGHER EDUCATION

Monday 11th December 2017, The Printworks, Dublin Castle

- 08.15 Registration and refreshments
09.00 Welcome by HEA CEO, Dr Graham Love
09.15 Opening address

SESSION 1 INTERNATIONALISATION FOR QUALITY ENHANCEMENT

Chair: Dr Douglas Proctor, Director of International Affairs at University College Dublin (UCD)

- 09.30 **Keynote speaker:** Dr Laura Rumbley, Associate Director of the Boston College Center for International Higher Education
- 10.05 **Panellist discussion**
1. Prof Maria Hinfelaar, Vice-Chancellor and Chief Executive, Wrexham Glyndwr University
 2. Stephan Keuck, Head of Project, Internationalisation, German Rectors' Conference
 3. Prof Denise McAllister, Pro-Vice-Chancellor at Ulster University
- 10.45 **Refreshments (and poster session)**
- 11.15 **Case-studies of national initiatives: Break-out session 1**
1. **The Internationalisation of Irish higher education:** Associate Prof Marie Clarke, Dean of Undergraduate Studies, UCD and Dr Linda Yang, Postdoctoral Researcher, UCD
 2. **The EACEA / European Commission-funded DES/IUA-led project on enhancing mobility for ACCESS students in Ireland:** Sinead Lucey, Irish Universities Association (IUA)
 3. **Recognition of international qualifications:** Dr Niamh Lenehan, QQI
- 12.00 **Facilitating international students at home and the impact on national students**
Prof Hannah McGee, RCSI

12.20 **Buffet Lunch (plus poster session from 12.50)**

SESSION 2 INTERNATIONALISATION AT HOME

Chair: Prof Sarah Moore, University of Limerick and Chair of NFETL

13.25 **Keynote speaker:** Emerita Professor Betty Leask, Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic & Vice-President La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia

14.00 **Panellist discussion**

1. Gerry O'Sullivan, Head of International Education, HEA
2. Sheila Power, Irish Council for International Students (ICOS)
3. Faisal Kadiri, Vice President for Student Activities, Queen's University Belfast Students' Union
4. James Flynn, University Programmes Manager, IBM Innovation Exchange

14.45 **Case-studies of national initiatives: Break-out session 2**

1. **Mid-term evaluation of Erasmus+ in Ireland, Relevant Findings:** Lewis Purser, IUA
2. **Initiatives on the internationalisation of teaching and learning:** National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning
3. **English for academic purposes:** Sue Hackett, QQI

15.30 **Feedback to plenary from breakout sessions**

16.00 **Closing reflections:** Dr Pdraig Walsh, QQI and Professor Betty Leask

16.20 **Close of conference**